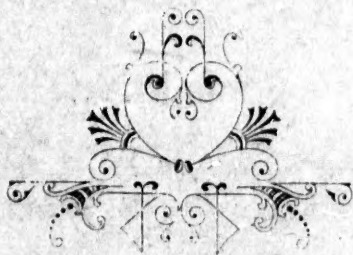


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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.
OF THE
VICTORIA GUN CLUB
AND
Game Protective Association.

INSTITUTED JAN. 14th, 1891.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

This Club shall be called the VICTORIA GUN CLUB AND GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of Active and Honorary members.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

This Club is formed for the benefit and pleasure as well as the advancement of its members in the art of wing shooting, and for the protection of game by enforcing the Game Laws. Any member wilfully violating the Game Laws of the Province will be expelled from the Club.

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ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

The Officers of the Club shall consist of a President, Secretary, Treasurer, Captain, and four members, who with the above named officers shall constitute the Committee of the Club. At all meetings of the Committee three shall constitute a quorum. In the absence of the President and Vice-President they shall elect one of their number as chairman.

ARTICLE IV.

QUORUM.

The quorum of members to constitute ten at the monthly meeting of the Club.

ARTICLE V.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE.

The above named Officers and Committee shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting of the Club, and shall hold office for six months or until such time as their successors are duly elected.

ARTICLE VI.

DUTY OF OFFICERS.

1. PRESIDENT.—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings, to see the rules of the Club strictly enforced, to call meetings of the Committee whenever the business of the Club requires them, to order special meetings of the Club upon the request of the Committee or any ten members, (the request of the latter to be made in writing) to de-

clare the votes, and to have a general supervision over the affairs of the Club; order the Secretary to call all meetings, and at all elections of officers to appoint scrutineers whose duty it shall be to collect and count the ballot papers, and make an official report thereof to the chairman. The President shall be *ex-officio*, a member of all Committees, and preside at all meetings of the same.

2. VICE-PRESIDENT.—It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform the duties of the President in his absence.

3. SECRETARY.—It shall be the the duty of the Secretary to keep an accurate record of the proceedings at all meetings of the Club and Committee. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Club, and keep copies of letters written and files of those received. He shall keep a record of the name of each member and his address, issue notices of all meetings, or shoots of the Club, notify members of their election; and the Secretary shall have the custody of all the books and documents of the Club other than those pertaining to the Treasurer.

4. TREASURER.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all subscriptions and monies due the Club pay all accounts, notify members who are two months in arrears; keep an accurate account of the funds of the Club, subject to the approval of the Committee, and to report to the Club at the annual meeting and whenever required to do so by the Committee.

5. CAPTAIN.—It shall be the duty of the Captain to enforce the rules and regulations of the Club at

all shoots on the Club grounds, and in the event of a match take charge of a team chosen by the Committee, and every member of said team shall be under his immediate control.

Any member can be elected Captain, but if he hold other office, there shall be one more of a Committee elected, to make the Committee nine.

In the absence of the regular appointed Captain from any practice or match, one of the members present shall be chosen to act pro-tem by the majority of the Club present on that occasion.

The Captain has the care of the traps, and it is his duty to see that proper targets are provided for the practices or the competitions of the Club.

He keeps a record of the results of practices and competitions, which record is to be given to the Treasurer as soon as possible, to be deposited in the archives of the Club.

6. COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.—The Committee of Management shall have charge of, and control all matters affecting the welfare of the Club, subject to the constitution and by-laws, and shall hold meetings as often as the Club requires, and whenever summoned by the President. They shall have power to employ such servants and assistants, and make such regulations for the economy, comfort, and success of the Club, as they shall think proper. At the annual meeting the Committee through the Secretary shall make a full report of their proceedings during the previous year, and recommend such measures as they may deem advisable. In the

absence of the President and Vice-President, they shall elect one of their number to be chairman.

ARTICLE VII.

MEETINGS OF THE CLUB.

1. The Annual Meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday of February of each year, for the election of officers, reception of the Managing Committee's report and the Secretary and Treasurer's statements, and such other business that may be brought before it.

2. There shall be several matches during the year at which the members shall shoot for prizes, the days and conditions to be decided by the Committee of Management, but one day in particular shall be set apart for an Annual Prize meeting, when the members shall be divided into classes, and prizes given accordingly. The Committee of Management to have full control of classing the shooters as they may think proper and right.

3. A Special Meeting of the Club may be called whenever the Committee may deem it expedient, or whenever the President shall be desired to call one by the written request of ten members, setting forth the purposes thereof. The Secretary shall notify members of such meetings in the regular way.

4. None but members in good standing shall be present at a meeting, and ten members shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

6. The order of business at all meetings shall be as follows:—

1. Minutes of preceding meeting.
2. Unfinished business.
3. Proposals for membership.
4. Reports.
5. Communications.
6. Elections.
7. New Business.
8. Adjournment.

ARTICLE VIII.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

1. Members are to be balloted for at the regular monthly meeting of the Club, three black balls to reject.

2. Every candidate for membership shall sign an application to be furnished by the Secretary for that purpose, this application must also be signed by two members in good standing, as proposer and seconder, said application to be handed to the Secretary who shall post it in the Club House one week previous to its being submitted to the meeting for the purpose of election.

3. Any member shall have the privilege of introducing any friends to the privileges of the Club for ten (10) days.

ARTICLE IX.

RESIGNATIONS.

1. All resignations of office or membership shall be made in writing addressed to the Secretary to be submitted at first regular meeting of the Club for action thereon.

2. Any member three months in arrears shall be considered resigned and his name shall be erased from the Club Books.

3. Any member who has had his name so erased shall be allowed the privileges of re-election by paying up all arrears.

ARTICLE X.

REMOVAL OF OFFICERS.

Any officer may for negligence or dereliction of his duties be removed from office, by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Club present at a special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XI.

VACANCIES.

Should any office in the Club become vacant for any reason, it may be filled at the next regular meeting of the Club, or at a special meeting to be called for that purpose.

ARTICLE XII.

EXPULSIONS.

Any member who may have been guilty of ungentlemanly conduct in the Club Room or Grounds shall be liable to and may be expelled by a majority vote of the members present at a meeting of the Club specially called for that purpose, six days previous notice shall be given the member concerned.

ARTICLE XIII.

ENTRANCE FEE. 'SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FINANCE.

1. The Entrance Fee shall be Two and a Half (\$2.50) Dollars, and monthly dues One (\$1) Dollar.
2. All propositions for membership shall be accompanied with the entrance fee, same to be returned if the candidate is rejected.
3. Every candidate on being elected shall sign the Constitution and By-Laws.
4. Any member in arrears to the Club for two months shall be excluded from all privileges of membership, and if after thirty days after he is notified by the Treasurer said arrears remain unpaid, his membership shall be forfeited.
5. The funds of the Club shall be kept in some chartered bank, and shall be withdrawn only on the joint cheque of the President or Vice-President countersigned by the Treasurer.
6. All payments shall be made by cheque.
7. No member shall be considered in good standing until his dues have been paid.
8. The books of the Club shall be audited by a committee of three elected for that purpose at the first annual meeting of the year.

ARTICLE XIV.

PROPERTY.

All property either real or personal, purchased with the money of the Club or donated to the same

shall be vested in the Club, and there shall be no individual interest therein. Any member withdrawing from the Club his interest therein ceases.

ARTICLE XV.

USE OF TRAPS.

1. Each member shall have the right to use the traps on the Club grounds at any time he may require, but not to monopolize their use to the exclusion of other members wishing to practice, nor to take them for private shooting outside the Club grounds.

2. The captain shall have charge of the traps and in case of his absence, the President or Vice-President fills his place.

ARTICLE XVI.

TARGETS.

Each member can for private shooting obtain from the Captain what targets he requires at Club rates, or he can obtain them elsewhere if he so desires but at all matches or stated practices the Club targets shall be used and paid for at Club rates.

ARTICLE XVII.

INTOXICATING LIQUORS.

No intoxicating liquors shall be allowed to be sold at any time, or under any circumstances in the Club Room or on the practice grounds of the Club. Any member violating this rule is liable to expulsion.

ARTICLE XVIII.

COMPLAINTS.

Any complaint of one member against another shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary to be handed to the Committee to deal with at its first meeting, but no verbal complaint shall receive attentionn.

ARTICLE XIX.

SHOOTING RULES.

The shooting rules of the Club shall be those herein after mentioned.

ARTICLE XX.

AMENDMENTS OR APPEALS.

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended, added to, or repealed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a meeting, provided that the members have been notified by circular, stating in general terms such proposed amendment or repeal six days previous to the meeting at which it is to be acted on.



TRAP-SHOOTING RULES

ADOPTED BY THE

VICTORIA GUN CLUB

AND

Game Protective Association.

RULES FOR INANIMATE TARGET SHOOTING.

RULE 1. *Judges and Referee.*—Two judges and a referee or a referee alone, shall be selected to judge.

(2). If the judges cannot agree, the referee shall decide and his decision shall be final in all tournament or sweepstake shooting.

RULE 2. *Special Duties of Referee.*—The referee shall see that the traps are properly set at the beginning of a match, and are kept in order to the finish. He shall endeavor to make the targets conform to the flight and direction indicated in rule 13. He shall test any trap, upon application of a shooter at any time, by throwing a trial bird therefrom. He may at any time select one or more cartridges from those of a shooter at the score and must do so, when the shooter is challenged by a contestant and he

shall publicly test the same for proper loading; if a cartridge is found to be improperly loaded the shooter shall suffer the penalty as provided in rule 17.

RULE 3. *Balk.*—If any contestant be balked or interfered with, or there is other similar reason why it should be done, the referee may allow another bird.

RULE 4. *Shooting at the Score.*—In all contests the shooter must be at the score within three minutes after his name is called to shoot, or he forfeits his right in the match.

RULE 5. *Scorer.*—A scorer shall be appointed by the management whose score shall be the official one. All scoring shall be done with ink or indelible pencil. The scoring of a "lost" bird shall be indicated by a "O", and of a "dead" bird by "I".

RULE 6. *Keeping the Score.*—**SEC. 1.** The call for a broken bird shall be "Dead bird" and the call for a missed bird shall be "Lost bird".

SEC. 2. When two judges and a referee are serving, one of the judges shall announce the result of each shot distinctly, and it shall be called back to the scorer. If the second judge disagree with the decision of the judge calling, he shall announce it at once before another bird is thrown, and the referee shall decide it. In event of another bird being thrown before the referee's decision the bird so thrown shall be "No bird."

RULE 7. *Broken Birds.*—A bird to be scored "Dead bird" must have a perceptible piece broken from it while in the air; a "dusted" bird is not a broken bird. No bird shall be retrieved for shot

marks. If a bird be broken by the trap, the shooter may claim another bird, as provided for in Rule 19, but if he shoots the result may be scored.

RULE 8. *Announcing the Score.*—At the close of each shooter's score, the result may be announced, if claimed to be wrong, the error, if any must be corrected at once.

RULE 9. *Screens.*—Either pits or screens, or both may be used, but the screens must not be higher than is actually necessary to fully protect the trapper.

RULE 10. *Distances.*—All distances mentioned in these rules must be accurate measurement.

RULE 11. *Arrangement of Traps.*—All matches must be shot from three or five traps, set level, five yards apart, in the segment of a circle, or in a straight line. When in a segment of a circle the radius of the circle shall be eighteen yards. In all cases the shooter's score shall not be less from each trap than the rises as provided for in rule 14. The traps shall be numbered from No. 1 on the left to No. 3 or No. 5 on the right, consecutively, according to the number used.

RULE 12. *Adjusting Traps.*—All traps must throw the bird a distance not less than 40 yards nor more than 60 yards and each trap must be tested for this standard distance before the shooting begins. If any trap be found too weak to throw the required distance a new trap or spring must be substituted.

SEC. 2. The level or projecting arm of the trap shall be so adjusted that the elevation of the bird in its flight at a distance of ten yards from the trap

shall not be more than twelve feet nor less than six feet and the angles of flight shall be as follows:—

No. 1. trap shall beset to throw a left quartering bird; No. 2 trap shall be set to throw a straight away bird; No. 3 trap shall be set to throw a right quartering bird. If five traps be used they are to be set as follows:—

No. 1 trap shall be set to throw a right quartering bird; No. 2 trap shall be set to throw a left quartering bird; No. 3 trap shall be set to throw a straight away bird; No. 4 trap shall beset to throw a right quartering bird; No. 5 trap shall be set to throw a left quartering bird. Traps Nos. 1 and 5 shall be set to throw their birds so that their line of flight shall cross that of the straight away bird at a point not less than ten yards nor more than twenty yards from trap No. 3.

SEC. 3. After the traps are set for these angles, if the bird for any reason shall take a different course, it shall be considered a fair bird, provided the trap has not been changed.

RULE 13. *Pulling of Traps.*—The puller shall be placed at least six feet behind the shooter, and when the shooter calls "Pull", the trap, or traps, shall be instantly sprung. In single bird shooting, he shall pull the traps as decided by a trap pulling indicator if one is used.

SEC. 2. If an indicator is not used five marked wads may be substituted but the numbers on the wads must correspond with the numbers on the traps.

SEC. 3. If the trap is sprung before, or at any noticable interval after the shooter calls "Pull," he can accept or refuse the bird, but if he shoots the result shall be scored.

SEC. 4. Should any puller not pull in accordance with the indicator or wads, he shall be removed and another puller substituted.

RULE 14. *The Rise.*—In single bird shooting the rises shall be eighteen yards for 10-bore guns; sixteen yards for 12-bore guns; fourteen yards for 14 and 16-bore guns; thirteen yards for 20-bore guns. In double bird shooting the rise shall be, sixteen yards for 10-bore guns; fourteen yards for 12-bore guns; twelve yards for 14 and 16-bore guns; and eleven yards for 20-bore guns.

RULE 15. *Calibre and Weight of Gun.*—No gun of larger calibre than a 10-bore shall be used and the weight of all guns shall be unlimited.

RULE 16. *Loads.*—Charge of powder unlimited; charge of shot, for 10-bore guns $1\frac{1}{2}$ oz.; for 12-bore guns $1\frac{1}{8}$ oz.; for 14 and 16-bore guns 1 oz.; for 20-bore guns $\frac{7}{8}$ oz. In case of a cartridge or cartridges being challenged the shot must be measured in one of James Dixon & Son's measures number 1106 or 1107. Any shooter using a larger quantity of shot shall forfeit his entrance money and rights in the match.

RULE 17. *Loading Guns.*—In single bird shooting only one barrel shall be loaded at a time, and the cartridge shall not be placed in the barrel until after the shooter has taken his position at the score. In double bird shooting both barrels shall be loaded at the score. Cartridges must be removed from the gun before leaving the score.

RULE 18. *Position at the Score.*—After the shooter has taken his stand at the score, he shall not

level his gun or raise the butt above his elbow until he calls "pull." Should he infringe on this rule the bird or birds shall be scored as lost, whether killed or not.

RULE 19. *Allowing another Bird.*—(Known or unknown angles.)

SEC. 1. The shooter shall be allowed another bird for the following reasons. (a.) For a bird broken by a trap. (b.) For any defect in the gun or the load causing a mis-fire.

SEC. 2. When the shooting is at known angles he shall have another bird from the same trap, but if the shooting is at unknown angles he shall have another bird from an unknown trap, to be decided by the indicator or wads except in case it be the last trap, when the shooter has a right to know which trap is to be sprung. In this case he shall have another bird from the same trap.

RULE 20. *Single Bird Shooting.*—Each contestant shall shoot at three or more birds before leaving the score, when the traps are set in the segment of a circle. If two birds are sprung at the same time it shall be declared "no bird."

RULE 21. *Double Bird Shooting.*—Both traps must be pulled simultaneously, and each contestant shall shoot at three pairs consecutively thrown as follows:—

If three traps are used, the first pair shall be thrown from traps 1 and 2, the second pair from 2 and 3, and the third pair from 1 and 3. If five traps are used, the first pair shall be thrown from traps 2 and 3, the second pair from traps 3 and 4, and the third pair from traps 2 and 4. If only one bird is thrown it shall be declared "no birds." If a bird is

lost for reasons stated in rule 19, it shall be declared "no birds." If one be a fair and the other an imperfect bird it shall be declared "no birds." If both birds are broken by one barrel, it shall be declared "no birds." If a shooter fire both barrels at one bird intentionally it shall be scored "lost birds." But if the second barrel be discharged accidentally it shall be "no birds."

SUMMARY. A contestant must shoot at two whole birds while both are in the air and break or miss one with each barrel to have his score count and the referee shall be as prompt as possible in calling "no birds" and prevent unnecessary shooting when a bird is broken by the trap.

RULE 22. *Rapid Firing System.*—When the traps are set in a straight line and the rapid firing system is to be used there shall be a screen before each trap on which shall appear the number of the trap from No. 1 on the left and each shooter shall stand at the score opposite the trap from which the bird is to be thrown for him to shoot at; after he has shot at his first bird he shall pass to next score to the right and so continue until he reaches the end of score when he shall return to the score opposite No. 1 and continue as before until his score is finished. If shooters are annoyed or there is delay in shooting by the smoke of previous shots the traps may be pulled in reverse order commencing with the trap on the right.

RULE 23. *Closing of Entries to Matches.*—No entry shall be accepted after the fifth man from the last inclusive fires his first shot except by the unanimous consent of the contestants.

RULE 24. *The Shooting.*—All ties shall be shot off at the original distance and as soon after the match as practicable at the following number of birds:

Ties on single birds. In single bird matches of twenty-five birds or less on three traps, 3 birds; five traps, 5 birds. In matches of twenty-six birds to fifty inclusive, on three traps 6 birds, on 5 traps 10 birds. In matches of over fifty on three traps, 15 birds; on five traps 25 birds.

Ties on double birds. In double bird matches of ten pairs or less on three traps, 3 pairs; in matches of more than ten pairs, 5 pairs thrown from traps 1 and 2. If five traps are used the same number shall be thrown in each case from traps 2 and 3.

SEC. 2. Ties if not shot off at the close of any day will be continued the next morning at a specified hour. Any contestant not present when called to the score after the hour named or within three minutes thereafter shall forfeit his right in the match.

SEC. 3. If in a series of matches the result prove a tie, such tie shall be shot off at the original number of birds.

RULE 25. *Challenges.*—**SEC. 1.** No challenge shall be considered unless the party challenging is a contestant and the challenge must be made before the next shooter goes to the score.

SEC. 2. In tie shooting no one shall be considered a contestant except those in their respective ties.

RULE, 26. *Forbidden Shooting.*—No shooting will be permitted within the enclosure other than at the score, and in case there is no enclosure no shooting within 200 yards of the score, except by those at the score without consent of the Management.

RULE 27. Class Shooting.—All shooting shall be class shooting unless otherwise stated.

RULE 28. Conduct.—No person whose conduct is ungentlemanly upon the grounds or who shall persistently violate any rule after his attention has been called to the fact, shall be permitted to participate in a contest and the referee shall so decide.

The management giving a tournament under the rules of the VICTORIA GUN CLUB may suspend the offender and report the suspension to the Club for final action and the Club shall have power to suspend the offender for such period of time as the gravity of the offence may warrant and during the period of such suspension the individual suspended shall not be allowed to participate in any contest held under the management of this Club.

SEC. 1. Classification.—The classification of shooters will be as follows:—

Class A to consist of those whose average is over 70

"	B	"	"	"	"	"	60
"	C	"	"	"	"	"	50
"	D	"	"	"	"	"	40

RULES FOR PIGEON SHOOTING.

RULE 1. Arrangement of Traps—All matches or sweepstakes shall be shot from five ground traps, five yards apart, twenty-five yards rise and one-hundred yards boundary measured from the centre trap, with the use of one barrel only, the choice of trap to be decided by the referee, by drawing gun-wads or throwing dice.

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RULE 2. *Pulling of Traps.*—The trap puller shall stand from four to six feet behind the shooter. The traps shall be numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and the referee shall have five gun-wads in his pocket having numbers upon them corresponding to the numbers on the traps. When the shooter is at the score ready to shoot, the referee shall draw a wad from his pocket or throw a dice, and show the number to the trap-puller. The trap-puller will then say "ready" after which the shooter must call "pull." In all cases the trap-puller must pull fair for each shooter. If the trap should be sprung before the shooter has given the word, he can take the bird or not at his option, but if he shoots the bird or birds, shall be scored whether killed or not as the case may be.

RULE 3. *Judges and Referee.*—Two judges and a referee shall be appointed before the shooting commences, and the referee's decision shall be final, he may allow a contestant another bird in case the latter shall have been balked or interfered with, if he thinks the party entitled to it.

RULE 4. *Birds and Decision.*—If a bird shall fly towards parties within the bounds in such a manner that to shoot at it would endanger any person another bird shall be allowed and if a bird is shot at within the bounds by any person besides the party at the score the referee shall decide how it shall be scored or whether another bird shall be allowed.

RULE 5. *Position at the Score.*—After the shooter has taken his stand at the score he shall not level his gun or raise the butt above his elbow until he calls "pull." Should he infringe on this rule the

bird or birds shall be scored as "lost" whether killed or not.

RULE 6. *Rise and Call of Birds.*—All birds must be on the wing when shot at. If a bird is shot on the ground before it takes wing it shall be scored a 'lost bird.' After the trap has been pulled and the bird has walked fifteen feet from the trap the shooter can call "no bird."

RULE 7. *Gathering Birds.*—It shall be optional with the party shooting to gather his own birds or appoint a person to do so for him. In all cases the birds must be gathered by hand without any forcible means within three minutes from the time it alights, or be scored as lost. All birds must show shot marks if challenged. A bird once out of bounds shall be scored as lost. The person gathering the birds must walk to the trap which the bird left and from there directly to the bird at a pace not faster than a walk, in no case must he go around or head off the bird.

RULE 8. *Mis-fires.*—Should a gun mis-fire or fail to discharge from any cause it shall score as a lost bird, unless the referee finds upon examination that the gun was properly loaded and the mis-fire unavoidable, in which case he shall allow another bird.

RULE 9. *Size of Gun.*—The shooter shall not be allowed to use a gun of larger calibre than that known as ten.

RULE 10. *Charge of Shot.*—There shall be no restriction as to the size of shot used or the charge of powder, but the charge of shot shall not exceed $1\frac{1}{4}$ oz. by Dixon measure 1106 or 1107.

RULE 11. *Penalty for Overloading.*—Any person challenging the load of a shooter after the shooting has commenced must deposit with the referee the sum of one dollar which is to become the property of the Club, if his loads are found to be correct. If however they are found to be incorrect he shall forfeit all his rights in the match.

RULE 12. *Ties.*—At a shooting match all ties shall be shot off on the same grounds immediately after the match if they can be concluded before sunset. In case they cannot be concluded by sunset they shall be concluded on the following day, unless otherwise directed by the judges or referee. This however shall not prevent the ties from dividing the prizes, if they may all agree to do so. Should one refuse to divide then it must be shot off. Any one of the ties being absent thirty minutes from the time agreed upon to shoot them off shall forfeit his right to contest for the prize.

RULE 13. *Shooting stray Birds.*—That 100 yards from the 100 yard boundary there are to be men stationed to prevent men from shooting stray birds

RULE 14. *Bribing and Penalty.*—Any competitor or other person bribing or attempting to bribe the trapper or puller, or attempting to obtain an unfair advantage in any manner whatsoever, to be disqualified from shooting or sharing in the results of the match.

RULE 15. *To Prevent Accidents.*—The shooter if he use a breech-loader shall not put the cartridge in his gun until called to the score. If he use a muzzle loader, he shall leave it uncapped until called.

RULE 16. *Referee in Doubt*—When the referee is in doubt, such doubt should be cast in favor of the shooter.

RULE 17. *Wounded Birds*—All wounded birds should be gathered and killed as soon as possible.

RULE 18. *Outside Shooting*—No outside shooting nor loaded guns should be allowed within the boundary except in the hands of contestants.

RULE 19. *Negligence in Shooting*—If a shooter having called "pull" does not shoot by reason of his own negligence such bird shall be scored "lost."

RULE 20. *Time at Score*—Each participant in a shooting match shall hold himself in readiness and come to the score prepared to shoot when his name is called by the scorer. If he be longer than five minutes, it shall be discretionary with the referee whether to allow him to shoot or not in the match.

RULE 21. *Challenges*—The referee shall see that no challenges are allowed except made by contestant shooters.

RULE 22. *At Score*—The referee shall see that no person whatsoever shall stand while the shooter is at the score within the radius of fifteen feet from the score.

RULE 23. *Sweepstakes*—All sweepstakes shall be class shooting unless otherwise specified.

RULE 24. *Closing of Entries*—All entries shall close at the firing of the first gun and all entries for the first match each day shall be made before six p. m., of the day preceeding the shoot by depositing ten per cent of the entrance fee which shall be

forfeited to the management if the entry is not completed before the firing of the first gun.

RULE 25. *Score with Ink only.*—All scoring shall be done with ink or indelible pencil. The scoring of a lost bird shall be indicated by a "0" and of a dead bird by a "1."

RULES FOR PIGEON SHOOTING.

DOUBLE BIRDS.

RULE 1. *Rise and Boundary.*—All matches shall be shot from H. and T. ground traps which shall be set five yards apart and 100 yards boundary.

RULE 2. *Birds on the Wing.*—In double shooting both birds must be on the wing when the first is shot at and if the other should alight before shot at the party shooting shall shoot at two more birds and if the first bird shot at is missed and the other alights before being shot at, the party shooting shall fire a blank cartridge at the first bird of the next pair and then shoot at the other bird with the other barrel. If the first bird should be killed on the trap before it rises it shall be scored a lost bird, but if either is killed on the ground after they have been on the wing the shooter shall have two more birds to shoot at or if both birds fly and are killed with one barrel, he must shoot at two other birds

RULE 3. *Double Birds.*—The time for gathering double birds shall be five minutes.

All other rules the same as for single birds.

All ties on single birds shall be shot off at five

birds the same distance as when shooting the match, and ties at double birds at three pairs, the same distance and so on until the match is decided.

RULES FOR GLASS BALL TRAP SHOOTING.

RULE 1. *Arrangement of Traps*—All matches or sweepstakes shall be shot from revolving trap eighteen yards rise.

RULE 2. *Pulling of Traps*—The trap puller shall stand six feet behind the shooter when the shooter is at the score. The trap puller will then say "ready" after which the shooter calls "pull."

In all cases the puller must pull fair for each shooter. If the trap is sprung before the shooter has given the word he can take the shot or not but if he shoots the ball or balls shall be scored whether broken or not as the case may be.

RULE 3. *Decision of Referee*—In all cases the decision of the referee of the Club shall be final and in his absence the members present shall appoint a referee pro-tem who shall act and have the same powers. In case the trap, when it springs, breaks the ball, the referee shall require the party to shoot at another ball whether he shoots or not.

RULE 4. *Position at Score*—After a shooter has taken his place at the score he shall not level his gun or raise the butt above the elbow until he calls pull. Should he infringe on this rule the ball or balls shall be scored as lost whether broken or not.

RULE 5. *Scoring*—All balls must be broken in the air to count, if shot on the ground shall be scored as lost. All balls must be broken; no cracked balls shall be scored.

RULE 6. *Loads*—There shall be no restriction as to size of shot used or charge of powder, but the charge of shot shall not exceed $1\frac{1}{4}$ oz. Dixon measure. Any one using larger quantity of shot shall forfeit all rights in matches. After a gun is loaded and challenged and the shooter discharges his gun the penalty will be the same as for over-loading.

RULE 7. *Ties*—All ties to be shot off at twenty-one yards at five single balls each and in case of second tie, five more balls, and so on until decided. In all cases ties must be shot off before sunset or post-poned until next day unless the interested parties agree otherwise, but in no case are they to be shot on the ground and immediately preceeding a regular match or sweepstake.

RULE 8. *Double Shooing*—In double shooting the distance shall be sixteen yards rise and from two traps placed ten yards apart. Ties shot off at eighteen yards rise at three pair of balls each, and so on until decided as in rule 7. In all cases both traps must be sprung at the same time.

RULE 9. *Time at the Score*.—A participant in a match shall hold himself in readiness to come to the score when his name is called by the scorer; if he is longer than five minutes, it shall then be discretionary with the referee, whether he shall allow him to proceed further in the match or not.

RULE 10. *Mis-Fire*—Should gun mis-fire or

fail to discharge from any cause it shall score as a lost ball unless the referee finds on examination that the gun was properly loaded and the mis-fire unavoidable in which case he shall allow another ball.

RULE 11. *Loading Guns.*—In case of breech-loaders the party called to the score shall not place his cartridge in the gun until he arrives at the score. In case of muzzle-loaders, the party called to the score shall not place the cap on his gun until he arrives at the score. No one but contestants have a right to interfere and no unnecessary conversation allowed while match is proceeding, which may calculate to intimidate contestants.



TRAP-SHOOTING RULES

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